

**AGENDA:** March 23, 2004

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**CATEGORY:** Items Initiated by Council

**DEPT.:** City Council

**TITLE:** Permanent Placement of Stained Glass  
City Seal

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Direct staff to explore possible locations for the permanent placement of the stained glass City seal now on temporary display in the City Hall Rotunda.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

There is no fiscal impact directly associated with the approval of the above recommendation.

### **BACKGROUND AND ANALYSIS**

In 1959, the stained glass City seal was fabricated and installed in the front window of the then City Hall, a converted church on Castro Street, which is the site of the present City Hall. About 6' in diameter, the seal consists of eight different colors of glass and has the inscription: "City of Mountain View, Santa Clara County, incorporated November 7, 1902." The cost to fabricate the seal in 1959 was \$700.

When that City Hall was demolished in 1987, the window was dismantled and placed in storage. It remained in pieces in the warehouse until November 2002 when Community Development staff arranged to have it restored for the Centennial Celebration. It is now on a temporary stand in the Rotunda area lit from behind by several temporary lamps.

Given that this seal is an important piece of City history, it would be appropriate to assign it a permanent location accessible to the public. I recommend the City Council direct Community Development staff to research a permanent site and return to the Council with recommendations for a permanent location and associated estimated costs.

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